

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 593 without my signature.

This bill would provide the framework to implement a state-level pay-for-success pilot program. This innovative contracting method has merit. For this reason, I have signed AB 1837 which authorizes the Board of State and Community Corrections to provide three counties with grant funding to use the pay-for-success model with programs that reduce recidivism.

This bill contains broad authorization and specific contract guidelines. It also requires a pay-for-success contract to be submitted with the proposed budget. The budget is not an appropriate venue for contracts of this nature to be approved. Instead, the contract details should be at the discretion of the department authorized to implement the program.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.